

Eagleview Middle School Monday Night Grade Check

We have developed a teamwork system within the Eagleview community that helps students, parents and teachers to stay on top of academic progress. By following this process consistently, students learn to take complete responsibility for their grades as well as the consequences for their choices. Here's how it works:

Teachers:

- Teachers have made a commitment to have grades updated and entered by every Monday.
- Sign the highlighted grade sheet when students turn in missing work.

Students:

- Every Monday night, pull up grade reports from Infinite Campus and print out.
- Highlight any assignment that is "missing."
- Gather materials so the assignment can be completed or made up. Ask the teacher to clarify the assignment as needed.
- Finish "missing" work.
- Hand in "missing" work to teacher and ask them to initial the grade sheet to indicate it has been turned in.
- By Friday, give all signed grade sheets to parents. These signed grade sheets indicate your child has taken care of their responsibilities and has earned their privileges for the weekend. No signed sheet, no privileges...their choice.

Parents:

- Check the highlighted grade sheets on Monday night and help your child come up with a plan of action for finishing missing work.
- Check the signed grade sheets on Friday night. No sheets, no privileges, no exceptions. If there is a substitute teacher, another teacher on the team can sign for this.
- Celebrate successes! As the behavior changes and grades start coming up, go on a special outing and/or celebrate in some way.
- Continue to make this a weekly ritual. You might consider doing this with all of the children in the family.

Other:

- Call your team counselor if you have any questions or need help implementing the process. 234-3436
- Ultimately, the goal is to have no missing work. The process to accomplish this is:
 1. Write in planner for every class.
 2. Double check the assignments on Infinite Campus at night.
 3. Do the work the day it is assigned. If you have questions, you can ask the teacher the next day.
- Teachers are available to help after school.
- Before and after school help is available **Monday - Thursday from 7:15am-8:15am and 3:40pm-4:40pm in the LMC.**

A special note for parents:

It is important to be objective and matter of fact about student and academic responsibility. We recommend you simply say, "You made the choice not to do your job; therefore, there will be no privileges." If your child says you are punishing them, remind her/him that they made the choice and they alone have the power to make a different choice. Ask them what they would do differently next time. Privileges may include activities, sleepovers, phone, TV, computer, etc. If students really feel uncomfortable, they will want to change. A couple of weeks usually is all it takes to get behavior to change. Children will test the boundaries...that is a normal response. It is imperative that parents hold to the boundaries to support academic achievement. You do not need to get into a power struggle. Do not nag them during the week, but rather expect they will meet the goal. If your child tries to engage you remind them that the decision is theirs. If you become emotional then you have taken on the child's problem. By staying calm and matter-of-fact you grant them permission to own their problems which is the first step for them to learn good coping skills. Also, it is important that parents are on the same page with each other so the child does not work the two of you against each other.

— **EMS Administration and Counselors**